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SUBJECT : RTV BAHRAIN

FOR NEA/ARP

1. RTV NEGOTIATIONS WITH GOB HAVE CONTINUED INTERMITTENTLY, INTERRUPTED BY EID HOLIDAYS AND ABSENCE OF MINISTER INFORMATION. AT GOB REQUEST RTV HAS WRITTEN NATIONAL BANK BAHRAIN REQUESTING CONTINUATION LINE OF CREDIT. ACCORDING HAMILTON OF RTV GOB HAS MADE TAKEOVER OFFER THAT IS "UNACCEPTABLE" BUT PRESUMABLY THERE IS STILL ROOM FOR FURTHER NEGOTIATION.

2. I HAVE NOT YET RAISED THIS PROBLEM FORMALLY WITH GOB ALTHOUGH UNDERSECRETARY INFORMATION (AND GOB MEMBER RTV BOARD) DID MENTION IT INFORMALLY TO ME SEVERAL DAYS AGO, EXPRESSING HIS ASSESSMENT SOLUTION SATISFACTORY TO ALL CAN BE WORKED OUT.

3. HAVE RECEIVED COMMERCIAL CABLE FROM A.R. HAMBURG, ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE, EXPOCREDIT, 477 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK INFORMING ME HIS FIRM MAJOR CREDITOR OF RTV (\$554,900 SOME OF WHICH OVERDUE), ASKING STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS, AND RAISING CERTAIN QUESTIONS RE GOB INTENTIONS TOWARD ASSUMING RTV OBLIGATIONS. BELIEVE IT PREMATURE TO ANSWER HAMBURG FROM HERE AND IN ANY EVENT BELIEVE IT BETTER FOR HIM TO DEAL THROUGH ARP THAN WITH EMBASSY DIRECTLY. REQUEST YOU CONTACT HAMBURG AND BRIEF HIM ON PRESENT STATUS RTV SITUATION, ASSURING HIM EMBASSY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WILL BRING CREDITOR INTEREST TO ATTENTION GOB AT APPROPRIATE

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